

**CalOES Southern Region
Heat Conference Call
09/12/14**

Roll Call

San Bernardino/Zach
Orange County/ Jim Acosta
Riverside/ Mark and Gerry
Imperial:
Los Angeles/Mike Cooper
Ventura:/Kevin
San Diego/ Mike Davis
Santa Barbara/Ryan Rockabrand
San Luis Obispo/ Ron
Inyo:
Mono:
Region I/ Mike

Introduction

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- The SREOC activated at noon in support of Orange County/ Silverado Canyon fire.
- SREOC has a staffing pattern in place for the weekend.
- Southern Region will be actively monitoring over the weekend for any heat events.

Weather Service:

Alex/San Diego:

- Quite warm for the Inland Empire into the desert.
- Beginning Saturday, through Sunday/Monday and Tuesday, significant heat wave affecting coastal areas. (Monday hottest day)
- Normal for deserts like Palm Springs 105-110
- Coast: 10-15 degrees above normal (80s to 90s)
- Some off shore flow; Gusts to 30 miles per hour in San Bernardino/San Diego areas (Sunday/Monday)
- Coast almost no wind. Maybe breeze in the afternoon (fire/weather concern).
- Sunday and Monday, no wind but intense heat.
- Humidity will begin increasing early next week and will get cloud cover/monsoon moisture.
- Will see less heat next Tuesday-Wednesday and maybe some thunder storms develop in the mountain areas.
- Not extreme but a moderate event for coastal areas.

Mark Jackson/Los Angeles:

- Los Angeles County and Ventura; Monday through Tuesday, hot temperatures and an increase in humidity to the valleys (San Gabriel/San Fernando Valleys) to 105 degrees.

- Mountains: situation similar to the station fire with warm temperatures and low humidity during the day will be low enough to create some concern with dry fuels with 55-60%,
- Fire weather danger from Saturday to Sunday, may be a red flag warning issue for the mountains.

Valerie/Phoenix:

- Warmest temperatures focused in the coastal areas to Imperial County...not really looking at anything that is excessive heat (108degrees in some areas).
- Overall nothing meeting hear criteria as we go through the weekend.

Questions

- Ryan Rockabrand/Santa Barbara County: asked Mark, if the heat watch will be an issue for Santa Barbara? (A) Only for Los Angeles County Valleys (San Gabriel/San Fernando Valleys). Not into Ventura or Santa Barbara County.
- Ron/San Luis Obispo: same for SLO.

Operational Areas

San Bernardino/Zack:

- Activated Phase 3; mid-way advisory heat warning . Muggy in the valleys. Public Health Officer will put out a heat advisory warning to all county departments and at risk populations. Two local cities activated their cooling plans for the weekend, and published the locations of their cooling centers. Operational Area Department on stand by and Planning OA has developed an EOC Staffing Plan for the weekend. Public Health EOC had developed staffing plan as well.

Orange County/Jim Acosta:

- Activated extreme heat annex of EOP to level 2 (Advisory). The Health Care Agency put out a press release to the public on how to stay cool. Some cooling center locations have been established.

Riverside/Gerry:

- The Department of Public Health releases a heat warning that triggered the activation of 48 cooling centers throughout the county. The primary cooling center is located in the desert area. Will be closing the centers on schedule on Sunday, though may stay open till Tuesday after Public Health Department evaluates on Monday.

Los Angeles/ Mike:

- Public Health Department has issued Heat Alert. Cooling centers have been activated in areas of Inland Empire Los Angeles County. Providing information and tips to county departments and the public. Also canvased fire departments and the cities to determine what level of action they are taking to prepare and take precautions. Will continue to evaluate and monitor this issue.

Ventura/Kevin:

- Public Health Department is not activating their heat contingency plan. Posting the cooling centers on different mediums and are monitoring at duty officer level.

San Diego/ Mike Davis

- Public Health Department activated heat response plan at a Level 2; effective tomorrow Saturday at 10:00am till Monday at 7:00pm. Opening cooling centers. Putting out a press release this afternoon. Updating map of cooling zones on website and setting up push notification on application to send people to website. County OEM Duty Officer and City Response Committee will be monitoring.

Santa Barbara/Ryan:

- Will not activate heat plan, duty officer status.

San Luis Obispo/Ron:

- Duty officer status